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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
ARMY CONTRACTING AGENCY (ACA)**

1. Effective 1 October 2002, the Director for the Army Contracting Agency (ACA) will perform the following new mission:

The Director, ACA is responsible to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics & Technology) (ASA (ALT)). The ACA will be a field operating agency (FOA) under ASA(ALT) and headquartered in the National Capital Region (NCR). The mission of the ACA is to provide command and control of the regional and installation contracting offices; the U.S. Army Information Technology, E-Commerce, and Commercial Contracting Center (ITEC4); and the contingency contracting function. The ACA will ensure that Army contracting is reshaped to—

*a.* Consolidate similar and common use contracts to reduce duplication and leverage economies of scale;

*b.* Complete the implementation of centers and satellites contract requirements consolidation;

*c.* Reduce management overhead and realign personnel to maximize efficient and effective operations; and

*d.* Ensure continued small business emphasis.

2. Effective 1 October 2002, ACA, unit identification code (UIC) W4QSAA, is established as a FOA reporting to the ASA(ALT), responsible for ITEC4 and two continental United States (CONUS) regional contracting centers. The ITEC4 will be established for Army enterprise-wide buying capability for common use information technology and commercial items. The CONUS regional contracting centers will divide the CONUS contracting structure along geographical lines and will align with and complement the Installation Management Agency (IMA) realignment plan. The ACA, in coordination with affected organizations, will determine organizations, manpower, equipment, associated resources, and functional responsibilities to be transferred or provided in support of the consolidation of U.S. Army contracting.

3. The ACA will coordinate with Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) officials for all Planning, Programming, Budgeting Execution Systems and operational matters.

4. The ACA will identify subordinate directorates with full responsibility for all fiscal, financial accounting, fund distribution, and operational matters.

5. The Agency will consist of two subordinate CONUS regions (North and South), a Center (ITEC4), and five outside continental United States (OCONUS) contracting commands or elements, with each of the eight directors or commanders reporting to and rated by the Director, ACA. The CONUS and OCONUS UICs and locations are established as follows:

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### **CONUS:**

U.S. Army Contracting Region, North W6BAAA  
Fort Monroe, Hampton, VA

U.S. Army Contracting Region, South W6BBAA  
Fort McPherson, Atlanta, GA

U.S. Army Information Technology, E-Commerce and Commercial Contracting Center W6A8AA  
Alexandria, VA

### **OCONUS:**

U.S. Army Contracting Command—Europe W6BPAA  
Seckenheim, Germany

U.S. Army Contracting Command—Southwest Asia W6BVAA  
Fort McPherson, GA

U.S. Army Contracting Command—Korea W6BWAA  
Unit 15289  
APO AP 96205-0062

U.S. Army Contracting Element—Pacific W6BXAA  
B Street, Building T-115  
Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5100

U.S. Army Contracting Element—Southern Hemisphere W6BYAA  
Building 1313D  
PO Box 34000  
Fort Buchanan, PR 00934

6. Effective 1 October 2002, Installation Contracting Offices on U.S. Army installations will be assigned to the ACA and provide matrix support to the garrison commanders. Garrison commanders will have a supporting relationship with tenant units.

7. This confirms that on the effective date of this general order, the ACA, subject to the Chief, Army Reserve regarding USAR personnel and equipment, is authorized to publish permanent orders to establish, transfer, and reassign units, personnel, and equipment from current organizations to the ACA command code AE.

8. This confirms that ACA is the contracting authority for the United States Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC); United States Army Forces Command (FORSCOM); Military District of Washington, DC (MDW); United States Military Academy (USMA); 7th Army; 3d Army; 8th Army; United States Army, South (USARSO); United States Army Reserve Command (USARC); and United States Army, Pacific (USARPAC). Additionally, the ACA will provide installation contracting for designated United States Army Materiel Command (AMC) and United States Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) installations, the Army Chief

Information Officer, Network Enterprise Technology Command, and assigned program executive offices.

9. Effective 1 October 2002, the ACA will directly support the IMA providing the Base Operations contracting support within the Directorate of Contracting for all training and war-fighter Army installations both in CONUS and OCONUS. The ACA will be the primary point of contact for planning contingency contracting operations at the strategic and operational level to support the war-fighter worldwide. Transparency to the customer will be achieved by maintaining the existing customer-contracting office relationship. The ITEC4 provides an organization to implement the Army's enterprise-wide buying capability for common use information technology and commercial items and will provide customer support for satisfying consolidated IT requirements.

10. Effective 1 October 2002, the ACA will perform for the Army the functional proponentcy for the Procurement Management Assistance Program, the Standard Procurement System (Procurement Desktop Defense), end-to-end electronic commerce, Federal Procurement Data System, Acquisition Excellence Initiatives and serve as the executive agent for the Department of Defense Purchase Card Joint Program Management Office.

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Thomas E. White  
*Secretary of the Army*

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